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Energy and Environment Cabinet Announces Middle School Photography Contest for Earth Day 2014 *Contest celebrates the beauty, diversity of Kentucky*

Frankfort, Ky. (Jan. 23, 2014) – The Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet (EEC) has kicked off its fourth-annual “Capture the Earth” middle school digital photography contest for all Kentucky students in grades 6-8.

The “Capture the Earth” photo contest is open to all Kentucky middle school students. Judges will look for originality and creativity, photo composition, and a brief explanation of how well the photograph celebrates the beauty and diversity of Kentucky and encourages others to care about the state’s environment through stewardship and conservation.

“The goals of our student photography contest are twofold,” said Energy and Environment Cabinet Secretary Len Peters. “First, we want students to get outside, explore their natural surroundings and connect with nature. Second, this contest enables students to use their creativity and practice critical thinking skills by taking digital photos and describing in writing how their photo can encourage others to be better environmental stewards.”

EEC will accept entries until 4:30 p.m. April 4, 2014. The winner will receive lodging for two nights at a Kentucky State Resort Park of the winner’s choosing with his or her family. Middle school students may email one photograph as an attachment to Kidsphotocontest@ky.gov. Official contest rules are available at <http://eec.ky.gov/Pages/earthday.aspx>.

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